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NMCD announces plan to convert private prison facility

SANTA ROSA— The New Mexico Corrections Department on Wednesday announced plans to enter into a lease agreement with The GEO Group for the Guadalupe County Correctional Facility, transitioning it from privately to publicly operated.

The Guadalupe County Correctional Facility (GCCF) is a privately owned and operated medium level prison facility housing incarcerated individuals in state custody. The facility was built in 1997 and became operational in 1999 with a capacity to house 590 inmates.

NMCD and The GEO Group have a longstanding partnership and a mutual goal of keeping the facility operational through the transition phase. Leadership from both NMCD and GEO anticipate the transition to be complete by November of this year. NMCD would also like to thank the Guadalupe County Commission Chair and members for their continued support.

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